

Program

Challenges in Computational Homogeneous Catalysis

Långholmen - Stockholm

13-14 June 2013

Thursday 13 June

Session I: (Chair: Fahmi Himo)

09.00 – 09.15 Conference Opening

09.15 – 09.50 **Jeremy Harvey**, University of Bristol, UK
Qualitative and Quantitative Insight into Reaction Mechanisms: Some Case Studies

09.50 – 10.25 **Stefan Grimme**, University of Bonn, Germany
Accurate Thermochemistry for Large Systems by Dispersion-Corrected Density Functional Theory

10.25 – 11.00 **Feliu Maseras**, Institute of Chemical Research of Catalonia, Spain
Enantioselective Catalysis: the Challenge of Small Energy Differences

11.00 – 11.30 **Coffee Break**

Session II: (Chair: Cristiana Di Valentin)

11.30 – 12.05 **Michael Hall**, Texas A&M University, USA
Mechanism of the Reaction of Nickel bis(dithiolenes) with Alkenes

12.05 – 12.40 **Gregori Ujaque**, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain
Computational Challenges on the Suzuki-Miyaura Cross-Coupling Reaction

12.40 – 13.15 **Franziska Schoenebeck**, ETH Zurich, Switzerland
New Insights and Developments in Palladium Catalysis – a Combination of Theory and Experiment

13.15 – 14.45 **Lunch**

Session III: (Chair: Itai Panas)

14.45 – 15.20 **Per-Ola Norrby**, University of Gothenburg, Sweden
On the Nature of Selectivity Determining Steps in Homogeneous Catalysis

15.20 – 15.55 **Satoshi Maeda**, Hokkaido University, Japan
Global Reaction Route Mapping Strategy for Systematic Prediction of Reaction Mechanisms in Homogeneous Catalysis

15.55 – 16.30 **Fahmi Himo**, Stockholm University, Sweden
Synergistic Catalysis Studied by a Combination of DFT and Kinetics Simulations

16.30 – 17.00 **Coffee Break**

Session IV: (Chair: Bo Durbeej)

- 17.00 – 17.35 Stuart MacGregor**, Heriot-Watt University, Scotland
Striking a Balance between C-H Activation and Functionalisation
- 17.35 – 18.10 David Balcells**, University of Oslo, Norway
C-H Bond Strengthening and Deactivation in Transition Metal Complexes Revealed by First Principle Calculations
- 18.10 – 18.45 Daniel Ess**, Brigham Young University, USA
Success and Failure of Quantitative/Qualitative Computations Interfacing with Experiment for the Design of Catalytic Bond Activation and Functionalization Reactions.

19.30 – Dinner

Friday 14 June

Session V: (Chair: Margareta Blomberg)

- 09.00 – 09.35 Christopher Cramer**, University of Minnesota, USA
Challenges Associated with Catalysts Undergoing Electron and Proton Transfers: Water-splitting Case Studies
- 09.35 – 10.10 Per Siegbahn**, Stockholm University, Sweden
Modelling Redox Reactions where Electrons and Protons Enter or Leave: The Case of Water Oxidation
- 10.10 – 10.45 Odile Eisenstein**, University of Montpellier, France
Modeling Amorphous Silica Grafted Schrock Olefin Metathesis Catalysts

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee Break

Session VI: (Chair: Ivan Rivalta)

- 11.15 – 11.50 Agustí Lledós**, Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain
H-H Bond Activation: A Unified View
- 11.50 – 12.25 Timofei Privalov**, Stockholm University, Sweden
Effects of Dynamics on the Reactivity of the Bimolecular Frustrated Lewis Pairs at Finite Temperature: the Splitting of H₂ and Involvement of Molecular Vibrations
- 12.25 – 13.00 Evert Jan Meijer**, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Modeling of Catalysis in Solution

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch

Session VII: (Chair: Mårten Ahlquist)

14.30 – 15.05 Walter Thiel, Max-Planck-Institut für Kohlenforschung, Germany

Theoretical Studies of Rh-Catalyzed Asymmetric Hydrogenation

15.05 – 15.40 Zhenyang Lin, The Hong Kong University of Science & Technology, Hong Kong

Reactivities and Electronic Properties of Boryl Ligands

15.40 – 16.15 Brian Yates, University of Tasmania, Australia

Finely Balanced Mechanisms in Gold-Catalysed Reactions of Alcohols with Enynes

16.15 – Conference Closing

19.00 – 22.00 Conference Dinner on board S/S Stockholm to the Stockholm archipelago